



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**SILVER BLUFF HIGH**

**Aiken**

**Grades: 9-12**

**Enrollment: 701**

**Principal: Fran Altringer**

**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**

**Board Chair: Ms. Rosemary B. English**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	10	19	1	2

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	79.4%	84.0%	77.2%	76.5%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	8.8%	7.4%	11.7%	13.7%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.8%	8.6%	11.4%	10.3%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	90.2%	90.9%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	194	281
Number of Diplomas	144	188
Rate (%)	74.2%	70.3%

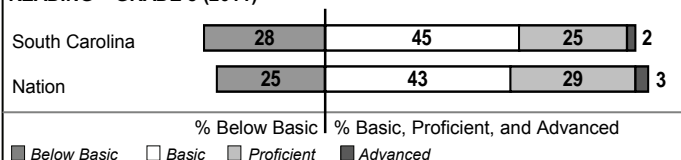
## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	78.0	75.5
English 1	66.7	64.1
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	50.0	65.5
Physical Science	58.3	55.4
US History and the Constitution	44.5	43.2
All Tests	58.6	60.7

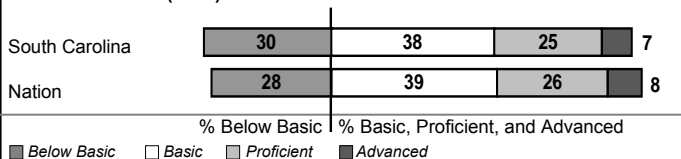
## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

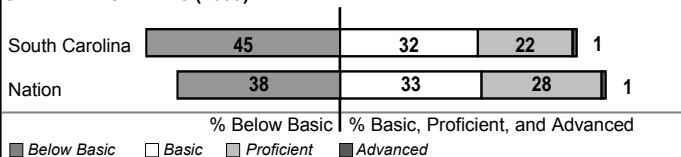
### READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



### MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



### SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=701)</b>				
Retention rate	5.1%	Up from 4.2%	3.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	95.1%	Down from 96.1%	95.1%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	24.5%	Up from 10.7%	12.3%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.0%	Down from 11.0%	10.6%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	12.3%	Up from 11.6%	7.4%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Down from 0.4%	0.7%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	14.6%	Down from 19.2%	12.0%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	38.0%	Down from 42.4%	46.9%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	32.4%	Down from 37.2%	30.2%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	4.7%	Down from 7.4%	2.9%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	1.9%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	332	Down from 377	362	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	71.4%	Down from 75.6%	81.4%	83.0%
<b>Teachers (n=40)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.0%	Down from 55.8%	60.4%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	85.0%	Up from 83.7%	83.3%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.0%	Down from 88.3%	88.0%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Up from 93.5%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,617	Up 3.1%	\$46,880	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.7%	Up from 0.0%	1.7%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	7.4 days	Down from 9.0 days	10.5 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.8 to 1	Up from 25.2 to 1	27.2 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.0%	Up from 88.0%	89.4%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,411	Down 4.4%	\$7,499	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.0%	Up from 56.8%	56.8%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.6%	Down from 59.8%	60.5%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 93.8%	97.6%	97.3%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	52.9%	Down from 76.5%	63.2%	65.2%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Silver Bluff High School provides educational opportunities for the students of Aiken County who reside in the Beech Island, Jackson, and New Ellenton areas. A well-established thirty-year tradition of excellence is the driving force behind the school's accomplishments. Accredited by the State Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Silver Bluff High School provides all students with opportunities to become responsible life-long learners.

The faculty, staff, and administration of Silver Bluff remain committed to maintaining high academic expectations for all students. In 2010-2011, we continued work on our highly successful "Freshman Academy" program, and raised our emphasis on communication with parents through newsletters and the use of an automated phone calling system. The SBHS Web Club made improvements to the school website and assumed the task of maintaining information current on the site, including posting pictures of everyday life at SBHS. For the 2011-2012 school year, these areas will continue to receive focused concentration, along with strengthening of the Honors and Advanced Placement programs through the addition of two new Advanced Placement course offerings.

Research indicates that schools with strong extra-curricular involvement foster positive academic environments. The rich tradition of success in these areas continued in 2010-2011. The Football, Volleyball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Soccer, and Baseball Teams are all Region 5-AA Champions. The SBHS Football team made it to the second round of the State playoffs, and the Girls' Basketball team placed as runner-up in the Lower State Finals. The Silver Spirit Band finished sixth at the SCBDA Lower State Championships, which qualified them for their nineteenth consecutive visit to the SCBDA State Marching Championships, where they finished eleventh.

Silver Bluff High School is poised for continued success in 2011-2012, and we look forward to working with you to maximize the high school experience of your son or daughter.

Thea Brooks, SBHS School Improvement Council Chairperson  
Fran Altringer, SBHS Principal

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	39	132	71
Percent satisfied with learning environment	87.2%	67.7%	79.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	87.2%	75.8%	73.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	65.8%	79.5%	73.9%

\*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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